



Monthly Update of Non-Federal Transportation Board Major Actions & Funding

Board/Body	Agency/Mission	Recent Meeting	Next Meeting	Recent Action Related to Transportation in the City of Alexandria	Items for Transportation Commission Consideration or Action
City Council	City Council approves the annual Capital Improvement Program for the City of Alexandria.	23-Apr	6-May	At the City Council Public Hearing on April 13, 2013, City Council approved both the rezoning of the Beauregard Corridor and the Waterfront	None
Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB)	Virginia Dept. of Transportation, Dept. of Rail & Public Transportation, Dept. of Aviation, Port of Virginia. Board sets transportation policy and funding priorities for Virginia.	17-Apr	15-May	The legislature ratified the new Transportation Package with the Governor's suggestions. The CTB will release a draft 6-Year Plan shortly and will hold a public hearing on the plan in Northern Virginia on May 29, 2013.	None
Transportation Planning Board (TPB)	Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments. The regional planning body that serves as the federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization.	17-Apr	15-May	At the April 17, 2013 TPB meeting, the Board was briefed by TPB staff that under MAP-21 funds need to be allocated in response to sets of performance metrics. Also, 25% of CMAQ funds going to this area must be used to improve PM2.5 emissions. The TPB Board received a presentation from WMATA which indicated the efforts WMATA is taking to increase Metrobus ridership. The Board also received a presentation on a revised Aspirations Scenario, which needed to be modified due to several changes since its was first disseminated. One of these is a provision in MAP-21 which prohibits the conversion of existing free lanes to toll lanes.	None
Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA)	Nine cities/counties in NoVa with a 16-member board. Charged with preparing and implementing a regional transportation plan.	25-Apr	14-May	The NVTA Board met on April 25, 2013, and received a briefing by Secretary of Transportation Sean Connaughton. A brief summary was provided of the new transportation bill which was signed by the Governor. NVTA organized itself into five working groups to implement the new transportation legislation. They are Financial, Legal, Project Implementation, Public Outreach, and Organizational. NVTA staff had collected a set of projects which would be candidates for FY2014 funds. These were referred to the Project Implementation and Legal working groups.	None
Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC)	Manages and controls the functions, affairs, and property of the Northern Virginia Transportation District which is comprised of six member jurisdictions, including Alexandria. NVTC provides a policy forum for its region and allocates state, regional, and federal transit assistance.	4-Apr	2-May	At the NVTC meeting on April 4, 2013, VRE projects were discussed, including a pedestrian tunnel from Alexandria Union station to the King St-Old Town Metrorail station. The preliminary feasibility study indicates that more funds are needed to build it, than originally projected. More grant funds have tentatively identified to fill this gap, but local a local match is needed. Alexandria will place this request in our regional NVTA request. New transportation legislation was also reviewed. Progress on the Crystal City-Potomac Yard Transitway was provided in a written staff update.	None
Washington Metropolitan Transit Authority (WMATA) Board	Provides rail, bus and paratransit services regionally and determines agency policy and provides oversight for the funding, operation, and expansion of transit facilities.	25-Apr	23-May	The WMATA Board passed its FY2014 operating and capital budget. The capital budget included additional funds to build the replacement bus garage for the WMATA Royal Street garage, since the Virginia Supreme Court ruled in WMATA's favor on April 18, 2013, and the garage construction can proceed.	None
Northern Virginia Regional Commission (NVRC)	Regional council of 14 member governments in Northern Virginia that provides information and serves as a mechanism for regional coordination	25-Apr	23-May	No transportation agenda items were discussed at the latest NVRC meeting where meeting minutes were published, in February, 2013.	None